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1. 21 Infantry Division of Nagykanizsa.
 - a. Commanding Officer: Major Lajos Molnár
 - b. Headquarters: Gábor Áron Barracks in Nagykanizsa.
2. The following units are part of this division:
 - a. Infantry regiment, in Tamási
 - b. Infantry regiment, in Lenti
 - c. Infantry regiment, in Zalaegerszeg
 - d. Mortar regiment, in Nagybajom.
 - e. Armored regiment in Pécs
 - f. Antiaircraft group in Pécs.
 - g. Pioneer battalion in Murakeresztur.
3. Infantry Regiment at Tamási.
 - a. Personnel:
 - 1.) Regimental Commander: Major DECSEI (fnu)
 - 2.) Deputy Commander: Béla KISS
 - 3.) Political Officer: Lt. Sándor LIPTAI

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b. Locations:

The regiment is stationed in the new barracks along the Siófok highway, near Tamási.

c. Subordinate Units:

- 1.) 1 reconnaissance company, motorized and equipped with automatic rifles, with a complement of 4 officers and 80 enlisted men.
- 2.) 1 light antitank company, with 4 officers and 70 men; it is equipped with six 45 mm. antitank guns.
- 3.) 1 mortar company, with 4 officers and approximately 80 enlisted men; it is equipped with eight 82-mm. mortars.
- 4.) 1 pioneer company, consisting of 4 officers and about 100 enlisted men.
- 5.) 1 company of antiaircraft machine guns, with 5 officers and about 110 enlisted men. It is armed with six 12.7 mm. antiaircraft machine guns.
- 6.) 1 accompanying battery, with 3 officers and about 60 enlisted men. This battery is motorized and is armed with four 76.2 mm. guns.
- 7.) 1 signal company, made up of 1 telephone squad and 1 radio squad, with 5 officers and about 100 enlisted men.
- 8.) The regiment is made up of three battalions with approximately 460 men in each. Each battalion is made up as follows:

Battalion headquarters

3 infantry companies

1 heavy machine gun company, armed with 12 machine guns

1 medium-caliber mortar company, armed with twelve 82 mm. mortars

1 signal platoon

1 group of AA machine guns, armed with two 12.7 mm. AA machine guns

4. Armored Regiment at Pécs.

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a. Location:

The headquarters and the various units of this regiment are stationed in the Ujpáncélos barracks on Malom Street in Pécs.

b. Personnel:

- 1.) Regimental Commander: Major József PÉTERI
- 2.) Deputy Commander: Capt Antal BÖZSEK
- 3.) Political Officer: Lt Péter MALINEK

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c. Subordinate Units:

This regiment is still in the process of formation, and for this reason it has only the units and the armament listed below:

1.) Regimental Headquarters:

Evidence Office

Secret Office

Training Office

Supply Office

Technical Office

2.) 1 Battalion: It is made up of 3 armored companies. Each company, in turn, is made up of 3 platoons with 4 squads each. The complement of each company consists of 5 officers, 8 noncommissioned officers, and about 100 enlisted men. The battalion is armed with 18 T-34/85 model tanks and six JS-122. In the event of war, the battalion would be equipped with additional tanks, which are stored in garages in a disassembled condition.

3.) 2 Battalion: Organized exactly the same as the 1 Battalion (above). It is armed with six assault guns SU-85 and 12 SU-122. New guns are arriving in disassembled condition.

4.) The regiment has a special company for the training of the recruits and a special training school for noncommissioned officers.

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